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CLAIMS

1.(currently amended) A multi-segment container having at least three substantially identical segments in mutually disconnectably hinged array to form an enclosure, wherein peripheral wall portions of the segments collectively comprise a peripheral wall of the container, and adjoining side wall portions of the segments collectively form a pair of container end walls in mutually spaced relation, each said segment including means for separably connecting each said segment in hinged relation to two adjacent said segments to form said container in a closed condition, and for connecting said three segments of said container in open, side by side serially connected relation , each said segment having a projecting heel portion to individually stabilize said segment in an upright standing position and enabling said container to stand in a display condition having each said segment connected to an adjoining segment and standing in an upwards-open display condition.

2. (amended) The container as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said segment side wall portions each includes a pair of tab portions located outside said segment peripheral wall portion, said tab portions including elements of said means for separably connecting said segment.

3.(currently amended) The container as set forth in Claim 2, wherein each tab portion of one said pair of tab portions includes a male hinge portion, and the other said pair of tab portions located at the other end of said segment each includes a female hinge portion for separably connecting said segment.

4. (amended) The container as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said container peripheral wall is substantially continuous when said container is in a closed condition.

5. (amended) The container as set forth in Claim 4, wherein said container end walls are substantially continuous when said container is in a closed condition .
- 6.(original) The container as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said segment peripheral wall has separation means on the inner surface thereof, in use for separating elements of predetermined size when inserted into the segment.
- 7.(original) The container as set forth in Claim 6, wherein said separation means are corrugations having spaces of predetermined width therebetween.
- 8.(original) The container as set forth in Claim 4, wherein said peripheral wall is substantially cylindrical.
9. (currently amended) The container as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said segment side ~~portions include~~ heel portion comprises a projecting edge portion to form [(a)] said stabilizing heel for the container when standing in an upright position .
10. (amended) The container as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said segment side portions include raised edge portions forming abutments with adjoining parts of said segment side portions to serve as stabilizing contact surfaces with said adjoined container segments.
11. (amended) The container as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said hinge means consist of female and male detent portions in mutually separable, mutually pivotal, attached relation.
12. (amended) The container as set forth in Claim 11, wherein said male and female detent portions are in predetermined mutually spaced apart relation such that, when adjacent said segments are in assembled relation to form a closed container, gaps of

predetermined size are created between adjacent surface portions of said container peripheral wall and between adjacent surface portions of said container end walls, to ventilate the container.

13. (new) A display, storage and carrying case for computer discs, comprising three substantially identical case segments, which combine to form a substantially cylindrical container having two mutually opposed end walls, each segment having a substantially arcuate peripheral wall, bounded by portions of said two end walls, each end wall portion having a flexible tab portion located at each end of the segment and extending beyond said peripheral wall to form two pairs of said tabs in mutually facing, manually deformable spaced relation; a pair of male hinge means located on one said pair of tabs; a pair of female hinge means located on the other pair of said tabs located at the other end of said segment, whereby said three case segments may be readily connected in upwardly-open, end-to-end serially connected, manually detachable relation, with said male hinge means detachably engaging said female hinge means of an adjacent said segment.

14.(new) The case as set forth in Claim 13, the inner surface of said arcuate peripheral wall being corrugated in a series of grooves to receive said discs in entered supported relation therein.

15. (new) The case as set forth in Claim 14, wherein, in use, each said upwardly-open segment may have a said computer disc in upstanding, displayed relation therein; and wherein the outermost said hinge means of said three segments may be mutually engaged, to close said case in enclosing relation with said discs.

16. (new) The carrying case of Claim 13, wherein said flexible tab portions permit engagement and disengagement of said male and female hinge means in opening and closing said case, and in mutually disengaging said segments.

17. (new) The carrying case as set forth in claim 14, in combination with a further plurality of said segments in serially attached relation therewith, having said case segments and said further plurality of segments in upstanding, upwardly-open connected relation to form an extended, multi-segment display.

18. (new) The carrying case as set forth in claim 14, said arcuate peripheral wall having a first-plurality of said grooves therein, whereby each said segment has said first-plurality of said grooves therein, enabling said case, when closed, to carry a said first-plurality of said discs in enclosed relation therein, and when said case is in a laid open condition having said segments in an upward facing position, enabling each said case segment to display a said first- plurality of said discs; said case thus displaying a total of three times said first-plurality of said discs.